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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 7502 NOTE PREPARED: Mar 31, 2009 **BILL NUMBER:** HB 1686 **BILL AMENDED:** Mar 19, 2009

SUBJECT: Senior Citizen Jury Exemption.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Bosma BILL STATUS: As Passed Senate

FIRST SPONSOR: Sen. Bray

FUNDS AFFECTED: GENERAL IMPACT: Local

DEDICATED FEDERAL

<u>Summary of Legislation:</u> (Amended) This bill provides that an individual at least 75 years of age may be exempted from jury duty if the individual requests an exemption from jury duty.

Effective Date: January 1, 2010

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: Under current law, a prospective juror can be deferred from jury duty because of hardship, extreme inconvenience, or necessity. Assuming that adults over the age of 75 are already being deferred for hardships related to age, this bill would reduce the administrative burden for jury administrators and would result in minimal cost, depending on the county and the age composition of the jury pool.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected: Courts and jury administrators.

Information Sources:

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